

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, one of the most sacred and potent forces in the world is the Mother influence; and

WHEREAS, in the heart of each of us is enshrined those memories of the tender love and the devoted sacrifice of our Mother; and

WHEREAS, from the beginning to the end of life, the moral fiber of each of us is nourished and strengthened by respect and love for Mothers; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the citizens of Idaho to pay homage to that revered Mother of each of us and to recognize and show appreciation to the Mother of the Year for Idaho

EVELENA LADY HAWKINS ASHLEY

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim April 9 through 15, 2004, to be

IDAHO MOTHERS' WEEK

in Idaho, and I encourage all to give heed to the teachings of Mother as she trains, teaches, and leads us in ways that will help us to become happy, well-adjusted citizens who will contribute much to our communities and state. I am confident there will be many acts of special recognition and tribute paid by all to their Mothers during this time and throughout the coming year as they show their gratitude and thanks for the great sacrifices made and the unconditional love given by the Mothers of Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this sixteenth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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